

### **REMARKS**

Claims 9-12 and 18 were previously allowed. It is assumed that these claims are still allowable. Claim 13 has been amended to add a period, which was inadvertently omitted in the previous amendment. Claims 1-25 are pending.

#### ***Restriction Requirement***

The Examiner required restriction, due to *Markush* groups in several dependent claims. The Examiner kindly noted that claims 1-5, 7, 8 and 13 are generic. In *Markush* Group I “frequency” is hereby elected. In *Markush* Groups II “frequency” is also hereby elected. In *Markush* Group III, “developer temperature” is hereby elected. These groups were selected to streamline prosecution. Allowed claim 9 includes limitations to “frequency”, so “frequency” was selected for Groups I and II. Selecting “developer temperature” seemed to simplify the remaining choices. The Examiner’s assistance is solicited in selecting the species for simplest examination.

The Examiner required a listing of which claims readable on the elected species. This is as follows:

Group I (first parameter is frequency): 9, 18, 10-12, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24.

Group II (first parameter is frequency): 9, 18, 10-12, 16, 17, 20, 22, 24.

Group III (the controller is adapted to receive and control based on developer temperature): 6, 14, 25.

#### ***Interview***

The Examiner is thanked for his comments in the interview of 4-28-2006. The undersigned pointed out that Group I in the Office Action of 4/12/2006 omitted “frequency”. However, because claim 9 was not indicated as a generic claim, the undersigned confirmed with the Examiner that

“frequency” should have been included in Group I. It was agreed that a new Office action is not necessary, since the record is now clear.

***Conclusion***

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and reexamination are respectfully requested and allowance at an early date is solicited.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney to answer any questions or to discuss steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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